1. Trivandrum-Gandhidham weekly service.

2. Bangalore-Kurla (Bombay) daily service.

A weekly Rajdhani Express between New Delhi and Secundera bad/Bangalore is also proposed to be introduced during the next financial year.

SC/ST Booking Agents

3377. SHRI ARVIND TULSIRAM KAMBLE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any provision for reservation of rail ticket booking agencies for ST/ST persons; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the zone-wise number of agencies allotted to SC/ST persons?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Appointment of Environmental Managers

3378. SHRI SARAT GHANDRA PATTANAYAK: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose for mandatory appointment of Environment Managers in industries;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) to (c). The matter is under consideration.

Scheme of Non-Formal Education

3379. SHRI SYED SHAHABUDDIN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of districts covered by the scheme of Non-formal education so far;

(b) the number of centres sanctioned therefor during 1991-92;

(c) the number of beneficiaries during the last three years; year-wise;

(d) the number of non-governmental organisations involved;

(e) whether any independent check has been made about the existence and performance fo these centres; and

(f) if so, the results thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) (i) Number of districts covered through State Governments and Union Territory administrations: 325

(ii) Number of districts covered through voluntary agencies: 166

Some of the Districts are commonly covered by both State U. Ts. and Voluntary Agencies.

(b) 1755 centres were sanctioned during 1991-92.

(c) The number of beneficiaries during 1988-89, 1989-90 and 1990-91 were 59,89,050 63,98,375 and 67,18,000 respectively.